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414	*Antioquia	13	515	Fiume	10	M		697	Salvador		15		
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417	*Armenia	10	519	French Colonies	50	601	Malay Tigers	10	701	San Marino		10	
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426	Barbados	8	G		615	*Middle Congo	10	713	*Sierra Leone		3		
427	Bavaria	50	531	*Gabon	10	617	*Monaco	10	715	*Somali Coast		10	
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429	Belgium	50	535	*Georgia	12	621	*Montserrat	3	719	*Spain, Goya		7	
430	Bermuda	5	536	*German Colonies	8	623	*Morocco Agencies	7	721	*Spain, Columbus		8	
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437	British Colonies	50	541	*Gilbert Ellice	3	629	*Nauru	3	733	Syria		10	
439	British Guiana	5	543	Gold Coast	6	631	Netherlands	30	738	Surinam		7	
441	British Honduras	5	545	Great Britain	25	633	*New Caledonia	10	720	Sweden		25	
443	*Brunei	4	547	Greece	25	635	Newfoundland	10	T				
445	Bulgaria	25	549	Grenada	5	636	*New Hebrides	3	732	Switzerland		25	
C			551	*Guadeloupe	10	637	New Zealand	15	734	*Tanganyika		3	
447	*Cameroons	10	553	Guatemala	12	639	Nicaragua	15	735	Tanna Touva		5	
449	Canada	25	H		641	Nigeria	5	736	Thrace		10		
451	Canal Zone	5	555	Haiti	10	643	*Niger Territory	10	737	*Thurn & Taxis		3	
453	Cape of Good Hope	7	557	Hawaii	2	645	*Niue	3	740	*Togo		3	
455	Cape Verde	12	559	Hejaz	5	647	*North Borneo	5	742	*Tonga		3	
457	*Carinthia	10	561	Honduras	12	648	No. Ingermanland	4	743	*Transjordan		5	
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465	*Chad	10	567	Iceland	10	O		746	Tunis		25		
467	*Chile	15	568	*Indo-China	10	653	Orange River Col.	5	748	Turkey		20	
469	China	25	569	*Indore	5	P		749	Turkey in Asia		6		
471	Cilicia	5	570	Iraq	8	655	Palestine	5	750	*Turks & Caicos Is.		4	
472	Cochin (India)	10	571	Ireland	12	657	Panama	5	U				
473	Congo	10	572	Italy, Turin Ex.	5	659	*Papua	3	752	*Ubangi		10	
475	*Cook Islands	3	573	Italy	50	661	Paraguay	15	754	*Ukraine		23	
476	Corea	4	574	Italy, St. Francis	5	662	*Paraguay, airmail	5	756	Union of So. Africa		7	
477	Costa Rica	10	575	Ivory Coast	10	663	*Penrhyn Island	3	757	U. S. Commems.		8	
479	Crete	5	576	Italy, Caesar	14	665	Persia	12	758	*Up. Senegal & Niger		10	
481	Cuba	25	577	Italy, Virgil	7	667	Persia, airmail	10	760	*Upper Volta		12	
483	Curacao	5	578	Italy, St. Anthony	6	669	Philippines	10	762	Uruguay		12	
485	Czechoslovakia	50	J		671	Poland	50	V					
D			578a	Jamaica	12	673	Porto Rico	10	763	*Vatican City		4	
487	*Dahomey	10	579	Japan	20	677	Portuguese Col.	25	764	Venezuela		15	
489	Danzig	25	580	Johore	7	R		766	*Virgin Islands		3		
491	Denmark	25	581	Jugo Slavia	25	683	Rhodesia	6	W				
493	*Dominica	3	583	Kedah	6	685	Roumania	50	768	*Wallis & Futuna Is.		10	
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For over twenty-five years I have been a Professional Writer, serving almost all of the leading business publications of the United States and Canada. Of late years I have traveled continually. About two years ago I went into stamp collecting in a big way and am getting into it bigger every month. Because of the fact that I travel continually, meeting thousands of stamp collectors all over the world in the course of a year I am in a position to handle anything in the stamp line and in any quantity. If you want to know more about me ask the Editor of this publication. Remember this—I am using the mails of every country in the world, including the United States and England, which means that my plan must be honest. Give it a trial and be convinced.

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Olympic Games and Stamps

A Talk Before The Mahoning Valley Stamp Club, Youngstown, Ohio

By CORNELL KMENTT

ON MONDAY, January 25th, the United States Post Office Department issued a special postage stamp to properly honor the Third Olympic Winter Games to be held at Lake Placid, New York, on February 4th-13th, 1932. A little talk on Olympic Games in connection with stamps might be quite appropriate at the present time.

Olympic games are named for the place where they had originally been held, the little town of Olympia, on the Peloponnes peninsula, that southernmost part of the Balkan peninsula. There on the banks of the Alpheus river is a mountain, so high, that its summit is hidden most of the time in clouds, so to speak, ranging into the skies, and therefore the proper spot for the Gods, to come down to earth, and to ascend to the heavens again. So it became customary, to wait for the Gods there, and to worship them since time immemorial. And when you had given your message to the Gods, and felt your mind relieved, you were apt to play a little. In time it became a regular habit, to meet there at regular intervals and the play became the chief object, and the first meet on record was held in 1307 B. C., but there are indications that as early as 1453 B. C. such games were played, that is, almost thirty-four hundred years ago.

Those original Olympic games were played at the beginning of every four-year period and the great and much coveted prize was a wreath of olive branches. So sport-minded were those old Greeks, that they counted the time as from game to game, and each olympiad was named for the winner of the prize—so if in comparison you Americans would call your years for the most conspicuous sportsman of the

time, you perhaps would not say, "It is the twenty-second of January, nineteen thirty-two today," but "It is the twenty-second January, Pepper Martin today." These games were played for many hundreds of years, until that great period of fighting and of wars of everybody against everybody

horses side by side. The blue drachm-stamp shows the Akropolis of Athens with the Stadium, the two-drachms a statue of Hermes, the god of traders and of thieves, by Praxiteles, then there is "Victory" and on the highest value the Akropolis with the Parthenon.

I have no record of the sporting events, but the result must have been pleasing, for four years later games were played in connection with the world's fair in Paris in 1900, and then again with that of St. Louis in 1904. But no stamp record exists of these games, and the 1904 Series of the United States does not indicate any Olympic connection. In 1906 another set of games was played in Athens to commemorate the ten years' anniversary of the reviving of this great old custom. The London firm of Perkins, Bacon & Co. printed a very beautiful set of stamps, honoring this event (Scott's Nos. 184-197). The designs are: Apollo, throwing disc; Atlas; Victory; Atlas offering the apples of the Hesperides to Hercules; struggle between Hercules and Antaeus, wrestlers; Hermes; a running race, and "Offerings for the Olympic games." As you see, again a very beautiful set. In 1908 and 1912 Olympic games were held in London and in Stockholm, respectively, but again no philatelic record is obtainable, except special postmarks; which I have seen mentioned in stamp papers, and which would be interesting to obtain for an Olympic games stamp collection. There were games scheduled for 1916 in Berlin, but as you remember, these were rather unpleasant times, and no one minded for any friendly contests.

In 1920 the next games were held in Antwerp, and the Belgian government issued a set of three stamps, sold at a premium (Scott's Nos. 384-



started, called the migration of the nations. All sense for sport and arts was lost and the last Olympic games were played in A. D. 393.

Towards the end of the nineteenth century the then Greek government conceived the idea that the sportsmen of the world should get together in friendly competition as of yore, and so they were invited to come to Athens in 1896. To give emphasis to this event, the Greek government also issued a set of postage-stamps (Scott's Nos. 117-128). They were engraved and printed in Paris; the designs show a pair of gladiators boxing; a disc thrower; a vase, depicting Pallas Athene; chariot racing, with four

386), for the benefit of those mutilated in the war. You see a disc thrower, a chariot race and a runner. There were quite a number of these stamps left over, and the remainders overprinted 20c (Scott's Nos. 140-142) and used up as regular 20 centimes stamps.

The 1924 games in Paris brought forth a set of four beautiful stamps, showing in two-color typography a laurel-crowned youth, greeting the city of Paris and its stadium in the background; the 25 centimes stamp shows France holding a statuette of Victory on her palm, offering it to the victor; the 30 c. stamp in red and black a symbolism of hard effort, and the 50 c. in light and dark blue a victor, carrying the palm (Scott's Nos. 168-171). Each bears the inscription, "8th Olympiad," in French.

The ninth Olympiad of 1928 in Amsterdam shows boat-racing, fencing, football playing, yachting, disc throwing, running, horseback riding and boxing (Scott's Nos. 477-484). In addition to these official Olympic stamps, there is a set of three stamps issued by Uruguay, to commemorate the victory of their soccer team at the 1924 games in Paris, and their royal welcome home at Montevideo that year (Scott's Nos. 282-284).

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Another set of stamps of sporting interest is the 1930 Set, issued by Cuba to honor the second Central-American Games of that year.

And now you have the ski jumper, issued by the United States, which I believe, is the first stamp issued for the Winter Sports division of the Olympic Games. Special stamps of the 2c and 5c denomination are announced by the United States Post Office Department for the Olympic Games to be held in California this coming summer.

These Olympic stamps will make a very interesting little collection by themselves. With the exception of the higher drachm values of the first two Greet sets, they are all very reasonably priced, and within the reach of almost everyone.

PHILADELPHIA NEWSPAPER STARTS STAMP CLUB

The Philadelphia Record, a morning newspaper in Philadelphia, Pa., has started two stamp clubs for the residents of that city. The two clubs are divided one for the young men and men, and the other is for the younger collectors.

The men meet every Friday Evening at 8:00 and the younger collectors meet at 10:00 every Saturday morning.

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—Edward H. Sprangers.

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India—Gwalior, type A56, 5R dark violet and ultramarine	2.00
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Luxemburg—Charity, 5 vars.	.30
Netherlands—Type A25, 21c olive brown	.13
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BRAZIL—A commemorative issue in honor of the 4th centenary of the death of St. Vincent is forecast. The values to be: 50, 100, 300, 500, and 1,300 reis.
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CYRENAICA—We are advised that three values of the Tripolitania 1931 Air Mail set have been overprinted "CYRENAICA".

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60c red orange
80c dull violet

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2c each—25, 36, 97, 117, 129, 136, 139, 142, 143, 149, 156, 202.
3c each—46, 68, 120, 127, 128, 151, 159, 160, 164, 166, 171, 173, 403.
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GERMANY—Due to the increased postal rates which went into effect Jan. 15th, new 6 and 12pf. denominations will be issued. The 6pf. green (Pres. Ebert); and the 12pf. red (Pres. von Hindenburg).

The 45 and 80pf. postal values together with the 15pf. Official, are to be withdrawn from circulation and reissued surcharged with new values.
(A. F. Turner)

HUNGARY—A new series of air mail stamps is reported to be in active preparation; also some commemorative stamps dedicated to the classical scholar, Dr. Semmelweis.
(A. F. Turner)

IRAQ—Further information concerning the new currency and its effect on the postal issues, the new units being fious, darham and dinar—equivalent to the millieme, plastre and Egyptian pound, means probably that the recent Feisal issue will be so surcharged.
(Lesgor & Reel)

ITALY—A Garibaldi commemorative series is due to make its appearance at once. Postal values as follows: 10, 20, 25, 30, 50, and 75 centesimi; 1. 25, 1.75 plus 25c, 2.55 plus 50c, and 5 plus 1 lire. Also Air Mail stamps of the following values, 50c, 80c, 1L plus 25c, 2L plus 50c, and 5L plus 1L.
(A. F. Turner)

MACAO—Two provisionals have appeared:

7a. on 8a. brown
12a on 14a mauve

(A. F. Turner)

PERSIA—Another addition to the new Shah's head set has appeared:

16ch. black & orange

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POLAND—See special paragraph elsewhere in this issue concerning a special Washington Bicentennial stamp from this country.

SPAIN—Quantities issued of the new Montserrat, noted Feb. 6th, follow: 1c and 10c—100,000 each; 2c and 5c—400,000 each; 15c—300,000; 20c, 30c, 40c, 50c, and 1p—50,000 each; 25c—1,500,000; 4p and 10p—25,000 each; 20c Express—50,000. All values of the Air Mail set—100,000 each.
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SAN MARINO—A new set to be issued at once, the design in upright rectangular format, presents a view of the new building by Prof. E. Federici, engraved and recess-printed in sheets of 40, upon the paper watermarked three plumes. Values and colors follow:

20c. green
20c. red
1.25L. blue
1.75L. brown
2.75L. violet

(A. F. Turner)

SPAIN—Offices in Morocco—We have been advised that an error occurs once on each sheet of the new 10c, 20c, and 30c overprints showing the word "ESPANOL" misspelled "ESPANO".
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The American Export Lines vessels carry a neat cancel. Among the ships of this company are the Excambion, Exeter, Exorchorda and Excalibur.

The United Fruit Co., with offices at New Orleans, has a large fleet of ships, all of which carry large circular cachets as cancels. Among the ships of this company may be mentioned the Santa Marta, Turrialba, Lempira, Heredia, and Anderson. These ships use inks of various colors, and a collection of them present a striking appearance.

In looking over almost any magazine of national circulation, you will find advertisements of various steamship companies, giving names of vessels, together with sailing dates. Address letters to the purser so as to reach the company a day or two before date of departure.

The Weekly Bulletin of the Port of New Orleans, published by the Associated Port Interests of New Orleans, lists vessels due to sail from that port, and a copy will be sent for the asking.

Results from sendings to these vessels are not nearly so gratifying as those to naval vessels, about one-third of them being failures.

The battleship Pennsylvania was issued a new machine cancel, type 8 or flag type, on Jan. 8. First day covers of this cancel bear the words, "At Sea" in dated circle. This is the third cancel to be issued the Pennsylvania during the past year, two new rubber handstamps having been issued.

Colored cancellations from land postoffices seem to be growing more scarce, only four having been called to my attention during the past few weeks. These include Barefoot, Ky.; Butcher Creek, Calif.; and Camp Creek, Va., all red; Huntsman, Nebr., uses purple.

Flag cancels are also growing more scarce, and should become good property. Bulletin C-4, of Oct. 27, listed 258 of these, while subsequent bulletins have listed many more.

The Postoffice Department is discontinuing a large number of fourth-class postoffices each month, these being supplanted by rural routes. Last-day covers from these often bear colored cancels. A list of these will be found in the Postal Bulletin, while each I. O. P. S. Bulletin lists a number of these.

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Part I

In the year 1856, the local Postmaster of British Guiana found that all the stamps in that vicinity had been consumed. As stamps were necessary for mailing letters he immediately called in one of the best printers to design a new stamp until he could get some of the regular stamps used in that vicinity.

They chose the picture of a ship for our family's adornment. Very few of us were printed, which made us quite rare. (Excuse my ego). To keep us from being counterfeited, the clerks had to sign their initials on us, as we were passed out for postal uses.

The value they set on me was one cent and I was dressed up in a cloak of magenta. I was quite happy when an old lady came in the postoffice and bought me and pasted me on an envelope she had to send a letter to her son who lived in a nearby town, where the rate was only one cent. My message was read by the young man carefully, and I was fondly tucked away among the family's records.

I lay for many years in the attic wondering where my next journey was going to be. Was I to be destroyed or was I going to see the world, to be looked at with pride by my possessors. Who could tell? Hurrah! the grandson of the man who put me away was interested in collecting stamps and discovered me one day in the attic.

No, he was not impressed with me, for my condition was not any too wonderful, but I was a stamp after

all and belonged in his collection, so I landed among many other friends, wondering where my next home would be.

Part II

I did not remain very long in his collection, for desiring stamps which appealed to him more than poor me, I was selected among others to be sold, and O joy, I was started on my way to see the world.

I was offered to a collector who was not greatly impressed with me, being more interested in my shape than anything else, and it was with a great deal of fear he parted with six shillings for me. Can you imagine that?

I was not long in his possession as he sold the entire collection to an Englishman for a small sum, who in turn sold me to one who loved me for my true worth, a real collector, a Frenchman, COUNT PHILLIPI FER-RARI, who paid 125 pounds sterling for me. I was getting quite valuable as time went on and wondered what was going to happen to me. My real adventure began here.

My owner, the Count, died and before the conditions of his will could be given out to the public, all his stamp treasures were seized by the French Government as contraband of the war. Imagine my surprise when I learned afterwards that my resting place for ever was to have been the Berlin Museum, but the cruel fate of War sent me on my journey again.

All the stamp treasures of my Count were auctioned off by the French Government and this took over three years and the French Government was enriched in a sum over THREE MILLION DOLLARS.

Yes, I can point with pride that I was among this famous collection to be auctioned off, and when it came my turn, I was fearful as to what they would do with me. Imagine my surprise when many well known collectors wanted me and bid high to get me, and I felt puffed up when a Mr. Arthur Hind secured me at a cost to him of over THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS.

I am still, at this writing in the collection of Mr. Hind, and although he was offered as high as FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS for me recently, he has refused, and as this seems to be my resting place for sometime to come, I guess I will close and hope that no other stamps just like me will ever be found. Yes, I am selfish, but can you blame me?



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Ugh!

Thank you, very much. Oh, oh! I think swinging that club is even worse. Now look what you did to my straw hat!

Waugh!

Oh, don't apologize. I know it was an accident, but do you mind if I get up in this tree during the rest of the interview? Never mind! Needn't pick up that bow and arrow. I'll stay right down here. Not so far to fall, anyhow. Now, will you give me that interview?

Injun no give; injun take. You got knife? Got wampum? Got tobacco? Empty pockets, so Injun look!

I won't! Don't pick up that club again! Let me finish. As I was saying, I won't mind letting you have anything of mine you take a fancy to. (I wish someone would come along! Darn fool I was to follow this Indian out into the woods.)

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Good knife, ugh. Nice pen; Injun use it to pick his teeth. Why so little wampum? Oh, yes, newspaper man. All no got wampum. Good tobacco. Injun take plug to Pocahontas. Where fire water? NO GOT? Waugh, ugh!! Injun show you scalp dance. Stand front that tree!

No, no! Chief, be a good Indian! You'll get fired out of the happy hunting grounds if you scalp me. Gosh, what a wicked looking knife! (I wish George Linn were here to take over this job!) Chief, be reasonable. Don't hop around and holler like that. Use discretion!

No got that. Injun use club or tomahawk or scalping knife. Which you want? Maybe you like fire best. Injun tie you to stake and make fire, or chop off head with tomahawk. Which you likeum?

Well . . . (Not a soul in sight!) Why, between a cold chop and a hot steak, I'll take the steak. (Gee, I'm sorry George will never be able to print that joke; it's good!) Now, what the dickens are you laughing at?

Haw, haw! Whoop!! A cold chop or a hot stake! That's rich. Of course it's old, but a fellow who could think of that and get it off when he expected to be killed is pretty good. Come on out, boys. He's game! Here are the things I took away from you.

Ha, ha! Good morning, gentlemen. He didn't fool me for a minute. I knew all the time he was joking. Oh, my teeth always chatter when I'm out in the woods. Perspiring? Why, um, yes, a little. You see I put on some heavy underwear this morning. Paper said possible snow. No, not snow, of course, in July, but colder. Well, if you'll excuse me, I'll be off to write up my interview. Oh, I got plenty. More than enough, in fact. Goodbye!

RADIO STAMP TALKS

Feb. 27

Major Kimble's forty-first weekly radio broadcast on the subject "Commemorative Postage Stamps of the United States" will be on the air at 9:30 p. m., Central Standard Time, next Saturday, February 27th. This will also be the fifth and final talk on the new Washington Bicentennial series, the title of this talk being "The Verdict of the Centuries".

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311 \$1.00 black, precancelled	.75
314 1c blue green, pair	.75
323 1c green	.10
324 2c carmine	.03
325 3c violet	.50
326 5c blue	.70
327 10c red brown	.50
328 1c green	.06
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K. M. GIERHART, BALTIMORE, OHIO

No Olympic precancels have been reported as yet. How come? Let's see some! Surely they haven't all went unnoticed.

There is a style of double line handstamp that has me guessing. I have been shown this style from Superior, Wis., and Sunbury, O. In each case it was a pair and with the one stamp receiving no town name impression, only the bars. I don't know if this was just a coincident or if the government is springing a new kind of hand stamp on us unsuspecting collectors.

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the next biggest pain. Yet sometimes these are a little bit interesting. No doubt some of you have picked up a Columbus precancel with the initials COP in it and wondered what that meant or stood for. Well it stands for The Central Ohio Paper Co. They do not initial all their precancels as they use a handstamp once in a great while, listed as type IX, which is seldom initialed.

Fremont, Ohio, used a U-52 style handstamp during Xmas, and Coshoc-ton used a bright purple ink with its U-53 type.

I have in my collection only the 1c, 12c and 20c of the New Brunswick, N. J. blue ink varieties and would like to see and hear from collectors who have other varieties. These are of earlier vintage than the New Haven blues and should be thoroughly circulated by now. These appear on Type II and the catalog mentions them but does not state if just certain items are found in blue ink or not, only saying that blue ink varieties are worth 25% more.

Here is a complete checklist of the New Haven blue varieties for the benefit of those who missed the articles previously written on this subject. The 3c, 4c Taft, 5c, 6c, 7c, 8c, 9c, 10c, 11c, 12c, 13c, 15c, 20c up and down, 30c up and down and 50c up only. The 13c reported reading down has never been verified.

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A very distinctly marked copy of a 2c Olympic stamp came on mail to the Editor of Linn's Weekly Stamp News. This stamp came from a reader in Harrisburg, Pa., and he should have noted the variety. The stamp has a straight edge with plate line at the right side thus its position is not difficult to locate on the sheet. The variety is in the nature of a wart or pimple on the plate, between the Y and the M of OLYMPIC, this spot is at the lower edge of these two letters and could have been caused by a sharp pointed tool being forced into the plate, the depression or indentation thus made would appear as a dot on the face of the stamp.

This is a very prominent mark and much more noticeable and distinct than the well known "dot in S" variety on the White Plains stamps. The editor will be glad to hear from others who find this variety to learn if it is constant also if the exact position and plate is determined.

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It is announced that over 400,000 copies of the 2c Olympic stamps were sold January 25th for First Day covers at Lake Placid. Plate numbers reported on stamps sold this first day are 20815-16-17-18.

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My soft pink cheeks, and glowing
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For water marks he wildly seeks,
For perforations odd, he sighs.

Where once, through woods and fields
we'd roam,
Like lovers, 'neath fair Luna's lamp,
Now to the Post Office he hies,
In endless search for some new stamp.

I ask him, "Do you love me, dear?"
He looks at me, with icy glance,
"A thing like sentiment can wait.
"Hand me that album, labeled France"

"Is this ultramarine, or blue?"
What is the number of the plate?"
And while I yearn for words of love,
He asks, "Can you make out this
date?"

I pondered long, for ways to please;
By saving long, a stamp I bought.
He caught me in his arms, and cried,
"That is a stamp I long have sought!"

He pushed me down into a chair,
For catalog and album ran.
My triumph vanished into air,
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—Alice T. Hoit.

DETROIT RADIO STAMP TALKS

The stamp talks over Radio Station WMBC from Detroit, Michigan, are talks on subjects illustrated on postage stamps. For February 23, the subject is George Washington. March 5, Andrew Jackson; 12th, John Ericson; 19th, Grover Cleveland. Station WMBC is 1420 Kilocycles—211.1 meters.

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"Just for fun," I thought I would look and see what Mr. Webster says about stamps. Here is the definition of postage stamp:

"A government stamp required to be put on articles sent by mail in prepayment of the postage, and as evidence of prepayment, as a design embossed on an envelope or wrapper or printed on a card, or especially an adhesive stamp issued and sold for the purpose."

Now I'm going to suggest that the believers in this saying, "A stamp is not a stamp until it is cancelled," try it out on Uncle Sam. Just take a cancelled stamp and affix it to a letter; then take the letter over to the postoffice and advise one of Uncle Sam's men, any one you happen to meet, that you have affixed this stamp to the letter "in prepayment of the postage and as evidence of its prepayment" as required by the postal laws.

Go on, be a sport. Try it. See whether Uncle Sam thinks your cancelled souvenir is a stamp or not. They won't put you in jail for just offering to mail the letter with a cancelled stamp on it "as evidence of prepayment."

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SKI JUMPING Comment on the new Olympic stamp in a recent issue has brought letters from two different Indiana readers, one condemning our printed remarks and the other upholding us. James D. Hall of Earlham College, Richmond, Indiana, says we are all wrong as regards our opinion that the jumper must have hoisted himself by his boot straps for he submits a newspaper photo of Ole Stenen, Norwegian skier, in practice at Lake Placid and Ole appears to be sailing through the air about 50 feet above a forest of pine trees, and with no visible mountains in sight from which he might have taken this jump. Now if ski jumpers jump over whole forests then we admit the truth of the camera picture and give in to Mr. Hall.

On the other hand, we hear from Gary, Indiana, from John H. Lindblom (and Lindblom sounds like it ought to know something about ski jumping) and Mr. Lindblom says:

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The Olympic stamp is all wrong. A ski jumper never uses sticks, when making a jump, they are only used for cross country runs. To see a jumper in the air is really a very graceful sight. He does not anywhere near come to have the position like the artist has pictured him. His body is erect, the arms out in the air to give kind of a wing like effect. The body leans forward and the skis are pointed upward, forming an angle of about 45 degrees of body and skis. This can easily be verified by anyone from the numerous movie newsreels which are usually shown at this time of the year. No doubt there will be many comments about this stamp to the same effect, because this poor fellow sure broke his neck when landing.

A LETTER FROM HELL Gibbons' Stamp Monthly prints a short article entitled "Hell" by B. S. H. Grant, F. R. P. S. L. Mr. Grant visited Hell during the past summer and has written a very interesting description of this quaint little village of Norway. It is reached from the port of Trondhjem. Along with the article is printed a picture of a registered cover bearing four Norwegian stamps and each cancelled with the postmark which clearly reads "HELL".

Thus it is evident that there is a Hell on earth, but instead of being the hot place that it is reputed to be it is in the frozen north. Cover fiends will doubtless try the experiment of sending covers to this place in order to have them mailed back for their collections.

OVER THE TOP In January, we were able to make the announcement that we were printing and circulating 10,000 copies weekly. When we make a statement of this sort we want it understood that the average number of sample copies that we send of any single issue is less than 100 copies. Thus the figures we quote for circulation are almost wholly paid subscriptions. At this time we are able to announce that the number of copies of our issue for February 13, printed and circulated was over 10,150 copies. Thus we are over the top and on the up grade for the largest circulation of any stamp paper in the United States and we feel confident that we will be able to announce the accomplishment of our object before the end of the current year.

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THE CACHET ON THE COVERS for the first day of the events at Lake Placid, February 4, has a better picture of the ski jumper than is on the stamp. The picture on the stamp is all wrong while that on the cachet has the correct form and pose. Our thanks are due Mr. S. H. Sunstie of Dayton, Ohio, for a handsome first day cover of this event, with a block of four of the Olympic stamps. Everett Emerson of Elkhart, Indiana, also remembered us with a cover for this occasion. Also a pictorial cover from August E. Meyer of Sidney, Ohio.

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I have been to Hell—and come back again! It all came about in this way. Having visited the arctic regions around Spitzbergen, and found the climate a decided improvement upon the present English summer, the prospect of a visit to Hell was at least warming, although its proximity to the arctic circle seemed somewhat out of place. No one at first quite knew where it was, but Trondhjem, of St. Olaf fame, was the port of call, and all those on board the ship were cordially invited one evening to go to Hell, and to send in their names, with the result that some twenty car-loads of inquisitive-minded tourists eventually set forth to visit this quaint little Norwegian village. It was noticeable that all had taken the precaution to take return tickets.

There were several philatelists on board who were not long in discovering that Hell had a post office, a registration label, and a special cancellation postmark all to itself. Life seemed to center around the railway station, labelled in unmistakable letters for all to see, under which everyone was anxious to be photographed, including a canon and a vicar. Picture postcards, many of a lurid disposition, appeared to be the staple trade, and formed a prominent feature of the station, together with a restaurant, the railway here forming a junction, so that anybody not liking the place could apparently journey elsewhere.

But what of Hell itself? Nicely situated in a beautiful portion of Norway by the mouth of the Stjordals-Elv, on the Trondhjem Fjord, some twenty miles from that city, it is quite a small place (one would almost regard it as a hamlet in England), whose principal claim to notoriety is undoubtedly its unusual nomenclature. The people are happy and good-humored, and the surrounding country is wooded, but one who visits Trondhjem typically Norwegian, hilly and well-jem should miss the unique opportunity of spending a few quiet hours in Hell, which is easily reached by train or car. Incidentally, this must be the place to which stamp dealers and their clients mutually consign one another on occasions. It would make an ideal place for a philatelic congress!—Gibbons' Stamp Monthly.

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The New Haven Philatelic Society of New Haven, Conn., took the air on Saturday, January 30th, when the first of a series of quarter hour stamp talks was presented over the Yankee network through Station WICC of New Haven, at 2:45 p. m. These talks are given by Alfred C. Horn, president of the society, and he will appreciate hearing from anyone who has listened in. Every Saturday at 2:45 p. m.

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Athens-South Africa

P. I. Drossos reports the quantities of air mail carried from Greece on the First Flight from London to Cape Town on January 20th as fol-

lows: From Athens to Nairobi, 82; to Dodoma, 136; to Broken Hill, 106; to Salisbury, 107; to Johannesburg, 170, and to Cape Town, 315. An attractive aeroplane shaped cachet was applied by the Athens P. O. with text: "1st. Fl Athens 1932 to the Cape of Good Hope," and was postmarked on the day of departure, January 23rd.

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Dedication of Post Office at Conneaut, Ohio, delayed waiting for part of their equipment.

Word now received from Long Beach, Cal., to the effect that there is no Bellflower Airport dedication and P. O. can't locate the person to whom covers were sent; and we have asked the P. M. to return all letters sent to persons sending them, where the name and address is given. It is well to always have your own name and address on the outside of the envelope in which covers are sent to a co-operator, so they can be returned. We are at loss to understand this matter, but probably the truth will come out.

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In a paper such as the "Weekly" where a constant stream of new readers are being added to the lists, we naturally would assume that there would be many to whom Bureau Prints are a new novelty and so on behalf of these readers we will dedicate a column or two to them and hope the older friends of the column will join with us in hoping the new friends will soon be old ones.—C. C. W.

Bureau Prints are precancels and have been known thru their history as Bureau Precancelled, Washington Print Precancels, Bureau Prints and so on up to now when we most all of us refer to them as BUROS. In the following we shall try to state the difference between the general city type precancel and Buros and any statements made must be taken as a matter of comparison only and not as casting reflections on the general precancels, for their champions are many.

A Bureau Print is a precanceled stamp that is made at the bureau in Washington under the same process that turned out the State Overprints, the Molly Pitchers, and the Hawaiis. The overprint is applied before the stamp itself is completed (perforated and gummed) so it requires no stretch of imagination to call them bi-colored U. S. stamps and they could well find a home in the regular U. S. Specialist's albums. The very fact that their manufacture is supervised by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing eliminates all the possibilities that occur in the general type precancels. There are no double, triple, inverted or diagonal overprints. There are no colored inks. 'Tis true there are four known errors of spelling but four out of approximately 2300 odd issues is a pretty fair average. Favoritism is practically unknown as the P. O. Dept. demands an order of 500,000 stamps of one value of the ordinary or perf all around stamps and an order of 250,000 of one value of the coils. The buro collector also has the advantage of a smaller field as up to the present the only rotary press values that have been bureau printed are the ½c thru to the 10c inc., of the ordinaries and from the 1c to the 10 inc., in the coils. They are well kept track of, and each semi-annual buro catalog is pretty well up to date when published. It is a handy little pocket sized booklet edited and priced NET by Dr. W. I. Mitchell and is a real necessity to anyone who contemplates the collecting of Buros.

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There are also fifteen known varieties of buro print playing card revenues. It's a great game to try for these in pairs. Should one care to go beyond the stage of collecting singles we suggest the block of four field, also the plate numbers. In coils we have many possibilities account the way these varieties are made. Then the writer's hobby that of catching the varieties that are caused by worn or broken overprint electros.

In closing we might add that any little problem relative to buros that is annoying you may be sent in, or any varieties that you may be in doubt of, just send in to the editor of this column (name and address at top of this column) with a little red stamp, please, and we shall answer it to the best of our ability and have your property on its way back to you by return mail.

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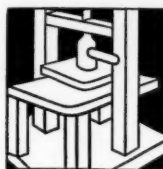
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